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NOW

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# The Shadow of MISTER Bascombe



EVEN AS HANK ENFOLDED ME IN HIS ARMS AND KISSED ME AFTER THE WEDDING VOW, I KNEW HE WAS STILL SHOULDERING WITH RESENTMENT...

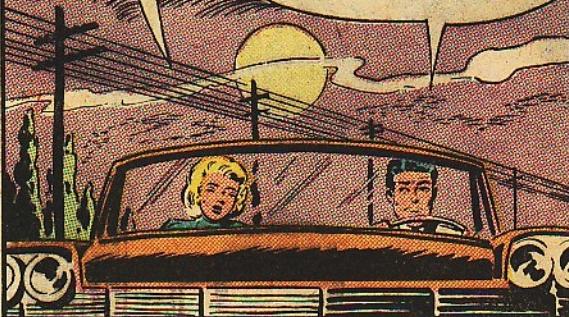


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HE ONLY GUessed SO, INSTEAD OF THE JOYOUS AFFIRMATION EVERY BRIDE HAD A RIGHT TO EXPECT ON HER WEDDING DAY... HE ONLY GUessed SO...

WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE CHILDISH ABOUT THIS, ARE WE, HANK?

WHO HAS TIME TO BE CHILDISH? WE BOTH HAVE TO REPORT TO WORK TOMORROW; OTHERWISE MR. BASCOMBE MIGHT GET WIND OF OUR SECRET!



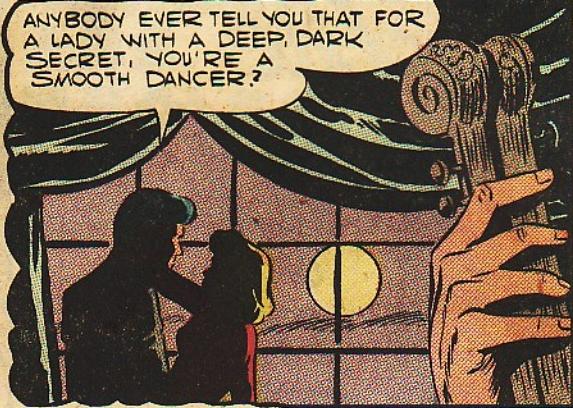
I LOVE YOU, HANK!

Hooray! The lady said yes. No more sneaking along back alleys. No more making believe at the office that we don't know each other's alive.



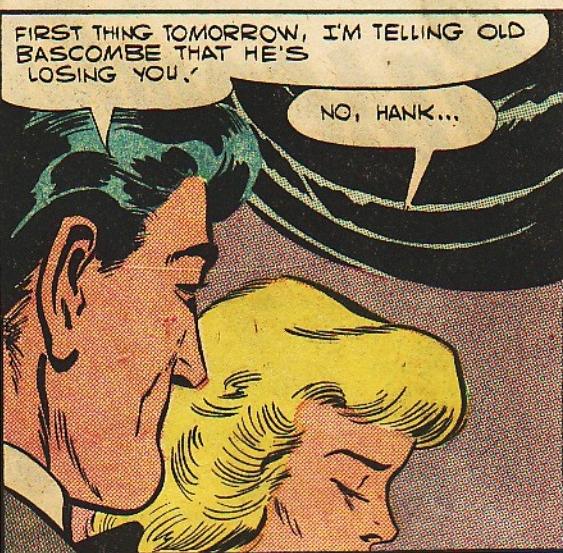
HANK AND I BOTH WORKED FOR BASCOMBE ENTERPRISES. I WAS J.B.'S PRIVATE SECRETARY, AND HANK WAS THE OFFICE MANAGER. HEAVEN KNOWS I'D TRIED HARD NOT TO FALL IN LOVE WITH HANK... BUT MY HEART HAD BEEN STRONGER THAN MY HEAD..

ANYBODY EVER TELL YOU THAT FOR A LADY WITH A DEEP, DARK SECRET, YOU'RE A SMOOTH DANCER?



FIRST THING TOMORROW, I'M TELLING OLD BASCOMBE THAT HE'S LOSING YOU!

NO, HANK...



...MR. BASCOMBE MUSTN'T FIND OUT YET. YOU KNOW HIS STRICT RULE AGAINST SOCIALIZING IN THE OFFICE.

COME OFF IT, JOAN. YOU DON'T EXPECT US TO KEEP UP THIS NO-MORE-THAN-BUSINESS ASSOCIATES GAG NOW?



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I'M AFRAID I DO, HANK! MR. BASCOMBE'S JUST STARTED WORKING ON THE BIGGEST MERGER OF HIS CAREER! HE NEEDS ME AROUND FOR ALL THE DETAIL WORK!



BUT THIS NEW MERGER MIGHT TAKE A COUPLE OF YEARS! IF WE SWEAT IT OUT, IT'D MEAN GETTING MARRIED SECRETLY! WE OWE MR. BASCOMBE A LOT, HANK!



AFTER ALL, IF NOT FOR BASCOMBE ENTERPRISES... WE TWO WOULD NEVER HAVE MET!



AND SO, HANK HAD AGREED TO DO IT MY WAY. BUT NOW ON OUR WEDDING DAY, INSTEAD OF BEING ALL SMILES, HE WAS SURLY...



EVERYBODY ELSE GOES ON A HONEY-MONTH, BUT OH, NO... NOT US! WE DON'T WANT TO UPSET MR. BASCOMBE!



PLEASE, HANK, YOU PROMISED! JUST TILL THE MERGER GOES THROUGH... AND THEN WE'LL BE ON OUR OWN!

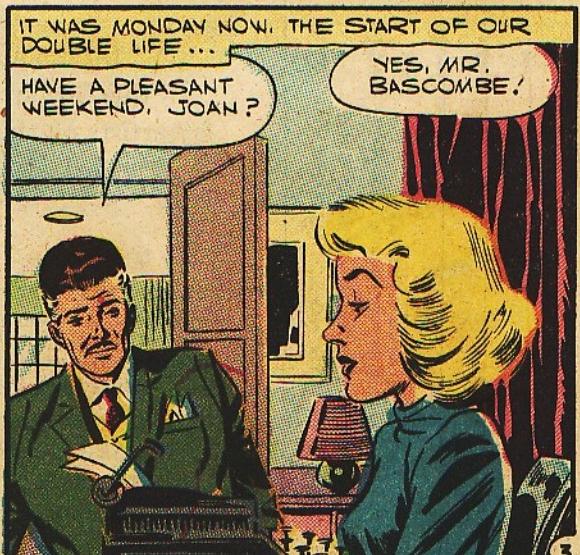
IT'LL BE TOUGH... BUT I'LL WAIT!



IT WAS MONDAY NOW, THE START OF OUR DOUBLE LIFE...

HAVE A PLEASANT WEEKEND, JOAN?

YES, MR. BASCOMBE!





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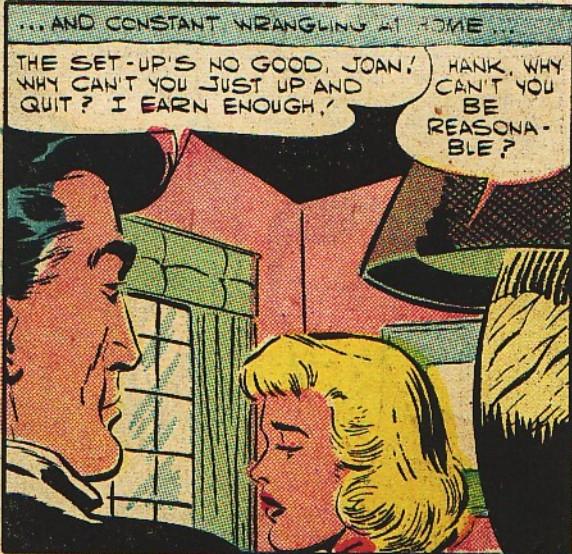
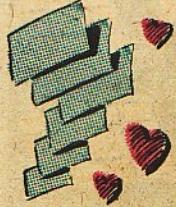
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THE FIRST WEEKS OF A MARRIAGE SHOULD BE GIDDY WITH JOY! BUT OURS WERE SHADOWERED BY THE NEED TO MAINTAIN A STRAINED FORMALITY AT THE OFFICE...



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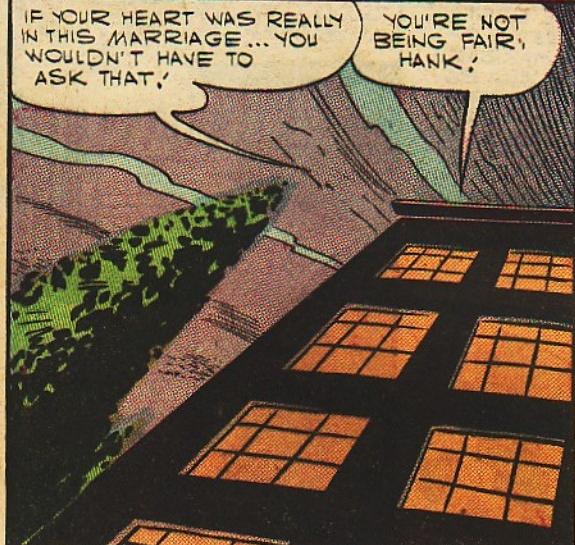
THAT NIGHT...

THAT WAS THE LAST STRAW.  
JOAN! I GET THE TONGUE LASHING OF MY LIFE, AND YOU JUST STAND BY AND LET ME TAKE IT!

WHAT COULD I HAVE DONE, HANK?

IF YOUR HEART WAS REALLY IN THIS MARRIAGE... YOU WOULDN'T HAVE TO ASK THAT!

YOU'RE NOT BEING FAIR, HANK!



I'M NOT BEING FAIR? LISTEN HARD, JOAN. I'VE TRIED TO MAKE A GO OF THIS YOUR WAY, BUT IT HASN'T WORKED OUT! A MAN HAS TO FEEL THAT HIS WIFE'S FIRST LOYALTY IS TO HIM... NOT TO HER BOSS OR HER JOB!



HANK! WH- WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

I'VE HAD IT! GOODBYE!



HANK HAD BEEN GONE FOR THREE HOURS NOW! I KEPT PACING THE FLOOR, WRINGING MY HANDS...

HANK! WHERE ARE YOU, MY DARLING? I NEED YOU! I NEED YOU!



ALMOST DAWN NOW... AND STILL NO HANK. AND BY NOW, THE IMPACT OF HIS ANGRY ABSENCE HAD BEGUN TO SINK IN, AND WAS FORCING ME TO LOOK DEEP INTO MY HEART...

OHHH, HANK, HOW COULD I EVER HAVE BEEN SO BLIND? WHY (SOB) COULDN'T MY EYES HAVE OPENED... BEFORE IT WAS TOO LATE?

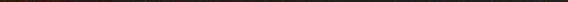


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MR. BASCOMBE'S SUCH AN IMPORTANT MAN! I'VE BEEN GLORIFYING IN HIS DEPENDENCE ON ME...BLINDED BY THE GLAMOR OF BEING IN ON ALL HIS BIG DECISIONS! I COULDN'T GIVE THAT UP...EVEN FOR MARRIAGE!

WHAT ELSE WAS THERE TO DO THAT MORNING BUT GO BACK TO WORK AND DROWN MY SORROW IN THE DAILY ROUTINE?

GOOD MORNING,  
MISS SHERMAN.



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BUT WHY HAVEN'T YOU TWO CRAZY KIDS TOLD ME BEFORE?

YOU ALWAYS SAID YOU WERE AGAINST SOCIALIZING IN THE OFFICE, THAT EVERY BODY IN YOUR EMPLOY HAD TO BE ALL BUSINESS, OR ELSE!

THAT WAS ONLY IN SELF-DEFENSE, JOAN! YOU'RE AS PRETTY AS YOU ARE EFFICIENT! GIRLS HAVE DEVELOPED CRUSHES ON BOSSSES BEFORE, AND I WANTED TO MAKE SURE THERE'D NEVER BE CAUSE FOR MY WIFE TO BE JEALOUS OF MY BEAUTIFUL SECRETARY!



BELIEVE ME, JOAN! I COULDN'T BE HAPPIER AT THE NEWS! WHEN ARE YOU QUITTING, JOAN? A SECRETARY CAN ALWAYS BE REPLACED, YOU KNOW... AND BEING A WIFE'S A FULL TIME JOB!



NOT THAT I EXPECT HANK TO START WORKING ON ALL CYLINDERS...

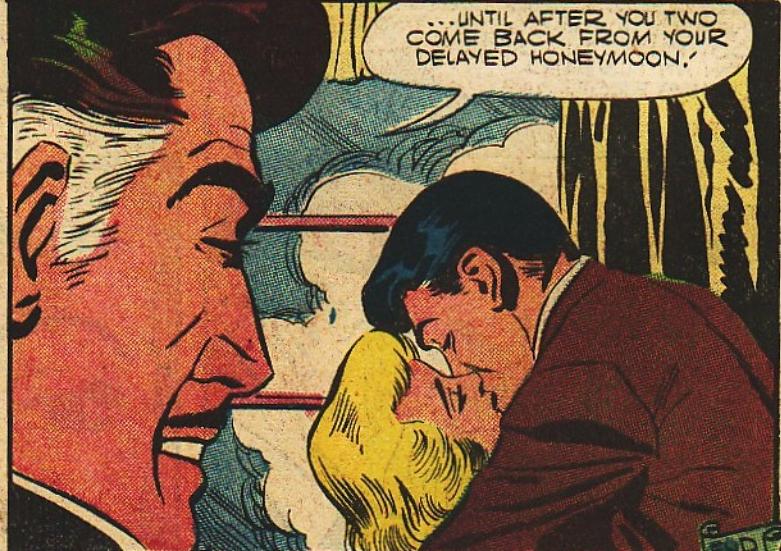


QUIT? BUT THE MERGER, YOU'LL NEED ME!

RELAX! WITH HANK ABLE TO DEVOTE HIMSELF WHOLEHEARTEDLY TO BUSINESS, WE'LL GET ALONG FINE WITH A NEW GIRL!



...UNTIL AFTER YOU TWO COME BACK FROM YOUR DELAYED HONEYMOON.



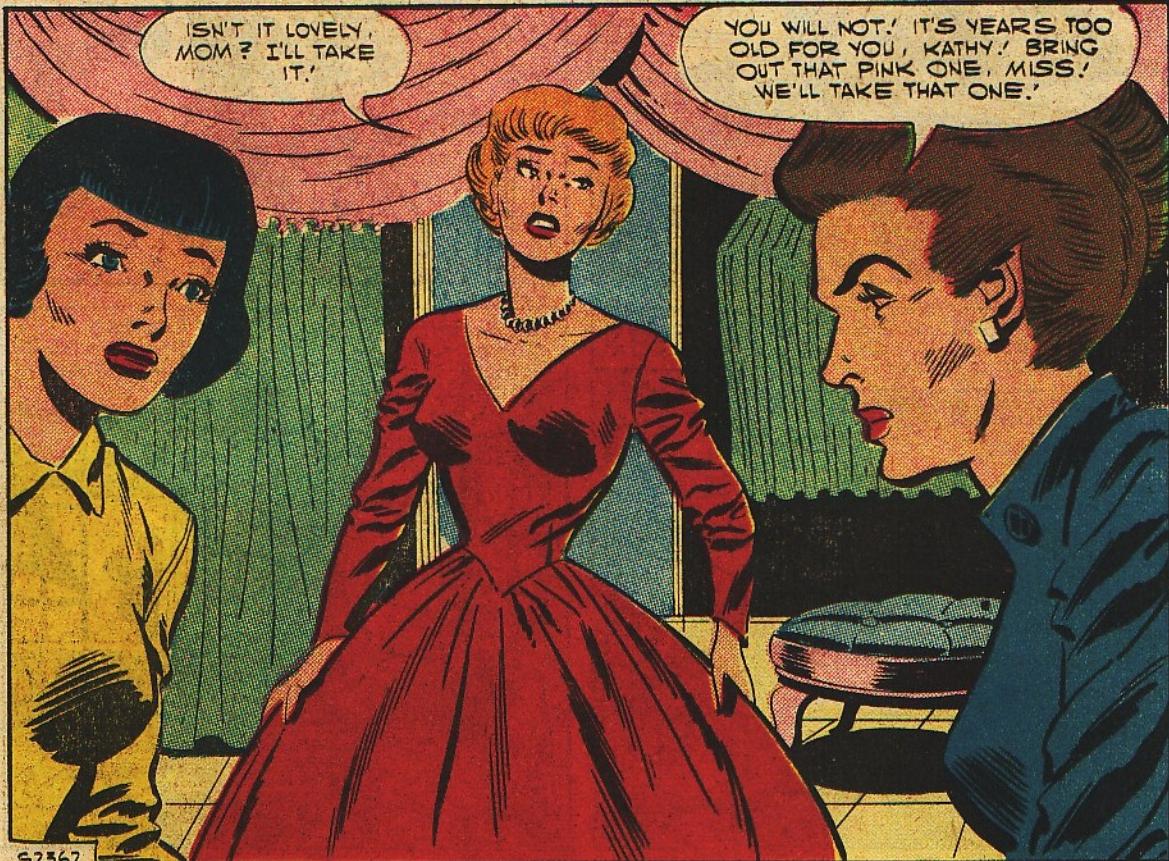
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# The Red Dress

MOM SAID THE RED DRESS WAS TOO DARING ... BUT I KNEW IT WAS THE RIGHT ONE FOR ME! I HAD TO HAVE IT...

ISN'T IT LOVELY,  
MOM? I'LL TAKE  
IT!

YOU WILL NOT! IT'S YEARS TOO  
OLD FOR YOU, KATHY! BRING  
OUT THAT PINK ONE, MISS!  
WE'LL TAKE THAT ONE!



WE TOOK THE PINK ONE WITH US ... AND I  
KNEW DANNY WOULD NEVER NOTICE ME IN  
IT...

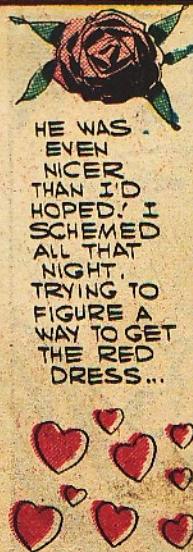
DANNY, THIS IS  
KATHY DOWNS! DANNY'S  
GOING TO THE DANCE,  
KATHY!

THAT'S NICE! I'LL  
BET YOU'RE A  
GOOD DANCER,  
DANNY!

I JUST  
GET BY,  
KATHY! BUT  
I ENJOY IT  
ANYHOW!

HE WAS . . .  
EVEN  
NICER,  
THAN I'D  
HOPED! I  
SCHEMED  
ALL THAT  
NIGHT,  
TRYING TO  
FIGURE A  
WAY TO GET  
THE RED  
DRESS...

THE RED DRESS AND THE  
PINK DRESS COST THE  
SAME! I'LL LEAVE THE  
HOUSE EARLY BEFORE  
THE STORE CLOSES  
AND EXCHANGE THEM!



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I WAS DRESSED BEFORE SIX! I TOLD  
MOM I'D GO TO GINNY'S HOUSE EARLY...  
GINNY'S BROTHER WAS TAKING GINNY AND ME



IT TOOK TEN MINUTES TO MAKE THE CHANGE  
BUT IT WAS WORTH IT...

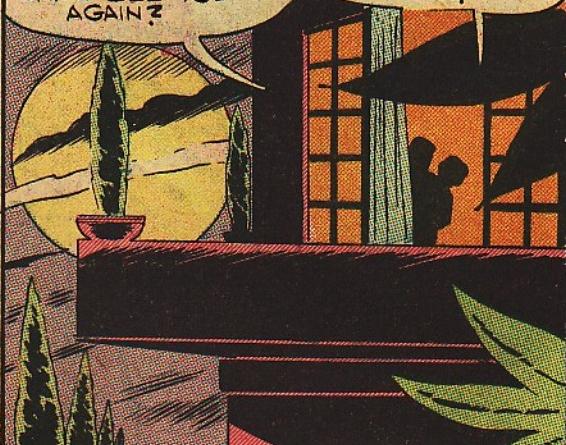
IT'S A DREAM! WAIT'LL  
DANNY SEES ME IN IT!

YOUR MOTHER  
WAS RIGHT.  
IT IS TOO OLD  
FOR YOU--BUT  
I CAN'T  
STOP YOU!



LET'S GET SOME AIR,  
KATHY! GEE, I'M  
GLAD I MET YOU!  
CAN I SEE YOU  
AGAIN?

OF COURSE,  
DANNY! I LIKED  
YOU RIGHT AWAY  
TOO!



YOU'RE NICE, DANNY!  
DO YOU THINK I'M  
NICE TOO?

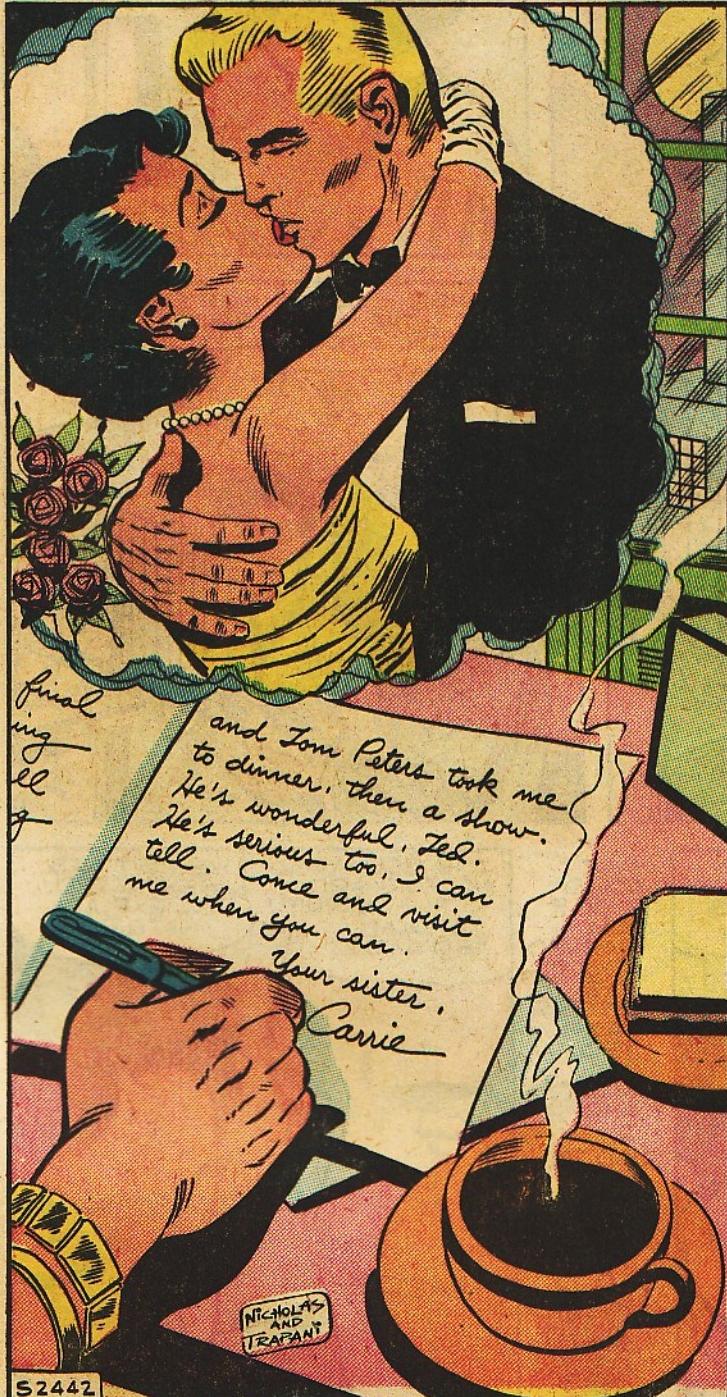
I SURE DO--AND  
WHEN YOU WEAR  
SOMETHING BE-  
SIDES THAT AWFUL  
RED DRESS,  
YOU'LL LOOK A  
LOT NICER!



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# MAKE BELIEVE Love

I LIVED SUCH A DULL LIFE -- I HAD TO FILL IT IN WITH DREAMS! AND I INCLUDED THE TALL, LEAN MAN ACROSS THE HALL IN MY DREAMS -- MAYBE BECAUSE HE LOOKED LONELY TOO...



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I MET TOM PETERS AGAIN THE NEXT MORNING ON THE WAY TO WORK. FOR A MOMENT I THOUGHT HE'D SPEAK... BUT I LOOKED AWAY AND THE MOMENT PASSED...



IT HAPPENED THAT EVENING! I CAME HOME AND FOUND A NOTE ON MY DOOR! IT WAS FROM MY BROTHER...



WHAT COULD I DO? TOM LEARNED ABOUT THE LETTERS FROM TED. NO DOUBT! AND I HAD TO KEEP UP THE PRE-TENSE...



I'VE BEEN LOOK-ING FORWARD TO THIS, CARRIE! I'M GLAD TED CAME!

HIS VISIT WAS UNEXPECTED! I'LL EXPLAIN LATER!



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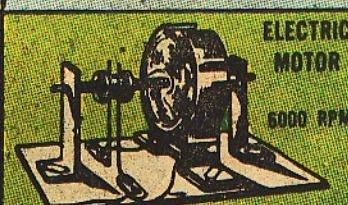


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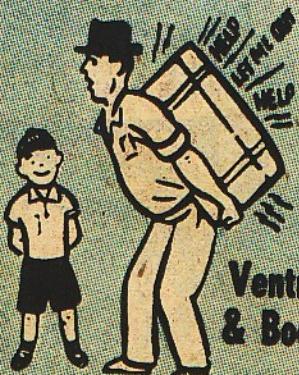
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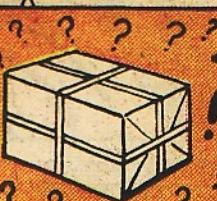
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I ALMOST CRIED WITH EMBARRASSMENT AT FIRST... THEN I RELAXED AND BEGAN TO ENJOY THE EVENING! TOM TOOK ME TO MY ROOM...

I HAVE A SOFA BED TED CAN SLEEP ON! PLEASE, DON'T REFUSE! I'VE BEEN LONELY TOO, CARRIE! I WISH THOSE LETTERS YOU WROTE WERE TRUE...

LETTERS? WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN, CARRIE! THE ONES TELLING ABOUT YOU AND ME GOING OUT TOGETHER! AND YOU TOLD TED I KISSED YOU GOOD NIGHT...

OH, THOSE LETTERS! TOM, PLEASE...



I DREAMED THAT NIGHT... BUT MY DREAMS WERE MORE REAL NOW!



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TED HAD ARRIVED ON A FRIDAY! TOM AND I WERE BOTH OFF THE NEXT DAY! I COOKED A HUGE LATE BREAKFAST...

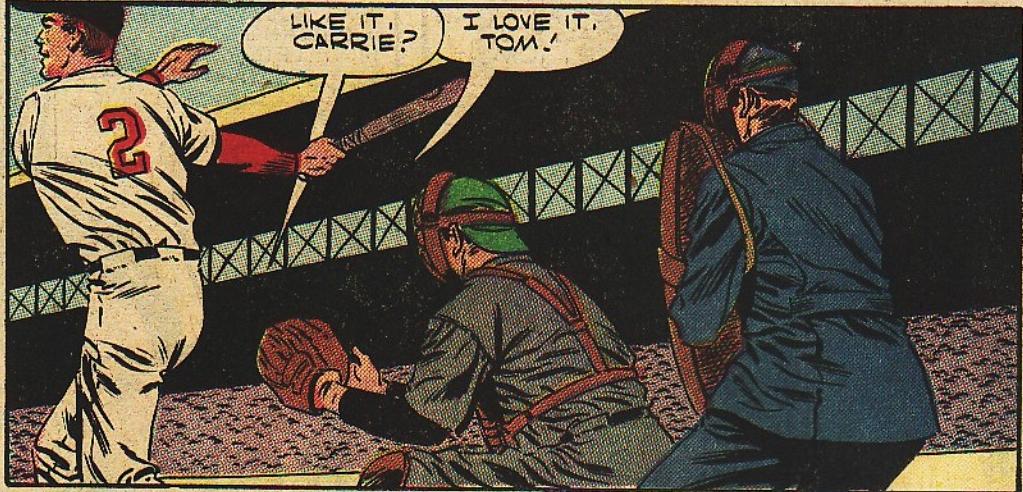


I'D FORGOTTEN HOW IT FELT TO BE COMPLETELY HAPPY! AND, EVEN IF IT WAS MAKE-BELIEVE, I WAS DETERMINED TO ENJOY IT WHILE IT LASTED...



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THE BALL-GAME WAS FUN! IT WAS THE FIRST I'D EVER SEEN AND I STILL DON'T KNOW A THING ABOUT BASE-BALL...



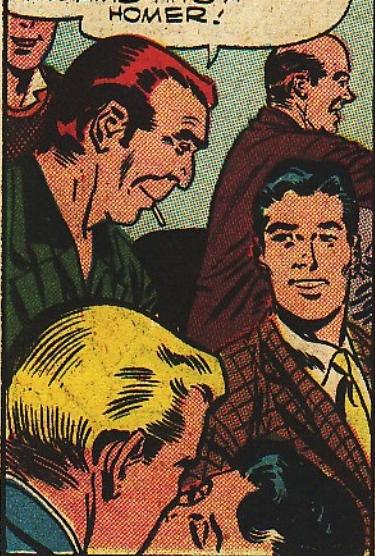
YOU KNOW, CARRIE, I DREAM TOO! AND MY DREAMS WERE ABOUT YOU! DO YOU WANT THEM TO COME TRUE?

YES, TOM!  
YES I DO!

HEY, TED WILLIAMS IS UP WITH THE BASES LOADED!



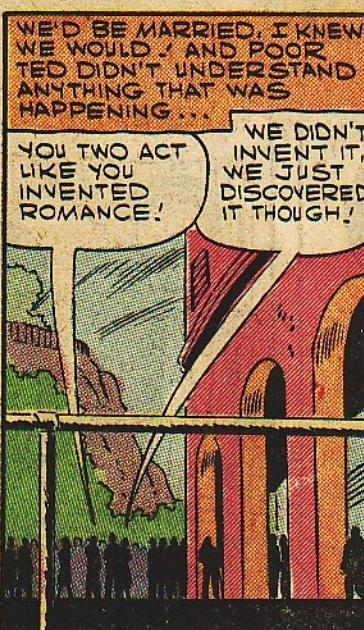
LET 'EM ALONE, KID! THEY DON'T CARE IF WILLIAMS HITS A HOMER!



WE'D BE MARRIED, I KNEW WE WOULD! AND POOR TED DIDN'T UNDERSTAND ANYTHING THAT WAS HAPPENING...

YOU TWO ACT LIKE YOU INVENTED ROMANCE!

WE DIDN'T INVENT IT, WE JUST DISCOVERED IT THOUGH!



I THOUGHT YOU'D PROPOSE LONG AGO, TOM. WHAT'RE YOU WAITING FOR? I DON'T KNOW. WILL YOU MARRY ME, DARLING?

OF COURSE, TOM! THIS IS NO MAKE-BELIEVE LOVE!



END

# WHEN THE RIGHT MAN COMES ALONG

"I wish you and your wife would speak to Irene," Mrs. Henderson told us. "You both know her since she was a baby. Believe me I am worried. Not that I want to show it, but what's wrong with her? All her girl friends are already either married or engaged. Irene has had many chances but she turns them all down cold. Take that Berman boy. What I wouldn't give to have him for a son-in-law. Irene went out with him just once, and he calls every night on the phone. Please see what you two can do about it."

One of our hobbies and method of relaxation is to go every Wednesday night to the roller skating rink. Sometimes Irene Henderson joins us. On this particular Wednesday night we picked her up at her home with the car. The three of us drove out to the rink. There we left her as a certain young man claimed all of her time. But she insisted on coming back with us and not with him.

"Mother spoke to you about me?" was what she said.

It was half question and half statement. My wife answered with a definite "Yes."

"I guess all mothers are alike," Irene continued. "If they see other girls getting married they begin to worry about their own daughter. When the right man comes along, then I will get married."

"When the right man comes along . . .", that statement has been probably said by millions of girls. Every girl has some kind of a picture of the right man she wants to marry. It may be at one extreme, a hazy representation of a knight in armor on a horse. Definitely, the girl wants to be rescued by this knight, then taken to his castle, marry him, and be the

happiest woman in the world.

At the other extreme, a girl may actually have a point-by-point listing of the things she wants in a man. So now back to Irene Henderson. She knew exactly what she wanted in a man. And she was going to look and look until she found this kind of a man. Of course, you might want to know what happens when a girl finds her "dream man" — and he isn't in love with her! But don't, because just now we will assume that there is romance in the air, and that when she finds him, they both will be in love with each other.

Here is Irene's list. She told it to us and we wrote it down:

1. He must be taller than I am. I prefer a man who is about six feet two. He should hold himself erect.
2. I don't want a heavy or a stout man. This means he must be well built and muscular.
3. He should have dark straight hair. I do not like wavy hair nor do I want a man with blond hair.
4. He must be healthy and like outdoor sports such as swimming, tennis, ice skating, skiing, and boating.
5. His religion must be the same as mine.
6. He should be a college graduate and I would prefer him to come from a well known out-of-town college.
7. He should have a position as an executive with a firm. I do not want to marry a professional man.
8. The minimum income should be not less than \$175.00 a week.
9. He should like music, art, and the theatre. He should be able to discuss

the latest books in a gathering.

10. He must be considerate of me in every respect. In any dispute my wishes should control.

Can you picture this kind of a man in your mind? Is he the kind you would also want? Is Irene right or wrong in making out such a list? Before you answer these questions, what kind of a man do you want?

You have heard people say that "tastes differ." The kind of a man that one girl would pass up is exactly the kind of a man that another girl would run right after to see if she could catch him. But what happens if a girl never meets the man of her dreams — and of her list?

It can actually become something of an obsession. It is very simple to say that somewhere there is a right man for a girl. But should she spend the next fifty years looking for him? While at the same time she lets a very nice man go away with a broken heart.

In any list of qualities that a girl makes out, just how many of those are really fundamentally important? Take the matter of the color of a man's hair. Jim and Ethel are married now for fifteen years. When Ethel married Jim, he had wavy blond hair. The kind of hair that you feel should be worn by a movie star. The girls all gave Jim a second look. Today, Jim is almost bald. But has Ethel stopped loving him? She has one favorite joke about it: "Where is the hair that isn't there?" They are an ideally suited couple and have three children. Ethel happens to be an artist and hence has something sensible to say about a man's looks:

"Draw a picture of the man you want as you see him right now. Then make him a little fatter. Add on some more weight. Remove some of his hair. Change his face. We all get older. And we do change. So don't be so worried about the physical features of the man you want as your husband."

Sensible? I leave that to you. In regard to tastes such as sports and other activities, we should bear in mind that different conditions can give rise to different activities. If two people live up in a cold climate and then go to a tropical place to live, the activities they will do must by necessity be different. It certainly is a good idea for a girl to marry a man who has similar tastes both in sports as well as in music, art and other things. It enables both of them to enjoy these activities together. Yet the girl must take into consideration the possibility that either she or her husband may engage in something not contemplated when they were married. Let me give you two examples: After five years of marriage, Ben became interested in target shooting. Dina was all upset. She would get nightmares at the

thought of having guns in the house. But she was sensible enough to see that Ben liked this sport and wanted to continue it. She had to make a decision: Either to let him do it alone or learn it with him. She chose the latter and now they go up to the shooting range every Sunday afternoon and she really enjoys it.

After two years of married life, Marsha decided to take singing lessons. Bill just can't stand her "making all that noise in the house." They are still arguing over it and the last I heard was that he threatened to soundproof the living room and buy ear stoppers.

It is sound that man should have the same religion as his wife. You read a lot about mixed marriages and you may meet some couples of different faiths. But let's put it this way: The aim of a successful marriage is to reduce the friction points that can lead to arguments, disagreements, and bitterness. When both husband and wife are of the same faith, you have removed one friction point. If there is any question about this in a girl's mind, she should consult with her religious leader about the matter.

More and more people are going to college. Within a decade, you can say that a college education will be a necessity. It is a good idea for a girl to marry a man with the same educational level that she has. Yet we know a lot of high school graduates, females, who have married college graduates, and the marriages are successful. But when a girl wants a man from a certain college — this is just plain snobbery and foolishness.

Why should a girl be insistent about the way her future husband makes a living? We know some girls who come from professional families. Half of them want to marry professional men and the rest business men. The work in which a man makes a living will determine the amount of free time he has to spend with his wife. It will also determine the kind of people they meet. If he is a dentist, a taxicab driver, or a teacher, the people with whom they associate will be entirely different. But what happens when a man changes his occupation? Mary's husband was originally a boxer and now he sells insurance. Jane's husband started out to be a lawyer and is now a salesman on the road.

Marriage is a partnership. The girl isn't going to get a man to wait on her every whim. No more than the man is going to get a girl to do everything the way he wants it done.

The time has come for girls, with lists of what they want in a man, to be certain they are thinking in a land of Reality — and not in a land of Dreams.

# BRIDES IN LOVE

I'D GROWN UP SURROUNDED BY THE SUSPICION AND GUILT OF THE PLATT FAMILY! MOM PLATT TRIED TO BE KIND AND DECENT BUT HER HUSBAND AND SONS WERE ALL BAD! AND EVEN WHEN I LEFT HOME AND MADE A NEW LIFE IN THE CITY, LIFELONG HABITS WENT WITH ME! MY FEELINGS FOR RICHIE MORSE WERE REAL... BUT I SUPPRESSED THEM! I WAS POISONED BY ....

# SUSPICION



THE PLATTS DROVE ME AWAY FROM THE ONLY HOME I'D EVER KNOWN! THEY WERE THIEVING, CORRUPT MEN! AND MOM PLATT COULDN'T CHANGE THEM!



THE NEW JOB WAS GOOD... AND I BEGAN MAKING A HOME FOR MYSELF! I'D ALWAYS BEEN RELIGIOUS AND I WENT TO CHURCH WEEKLY...



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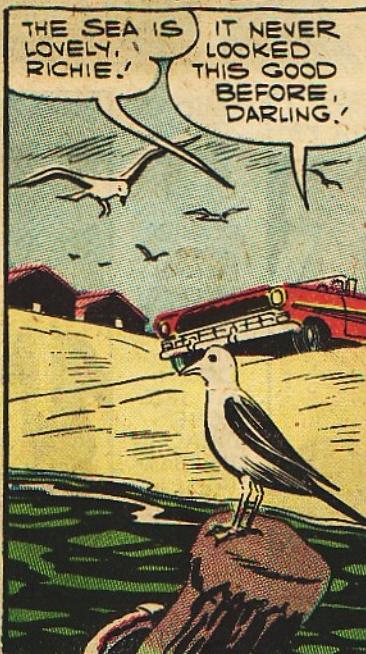
THE CHOIR MET AT THE RECTORY THAT WEEK. IT WAS THE FIRST SOCIAL LIFE I'D HAD SINCE LEAVING THE PLATTS...



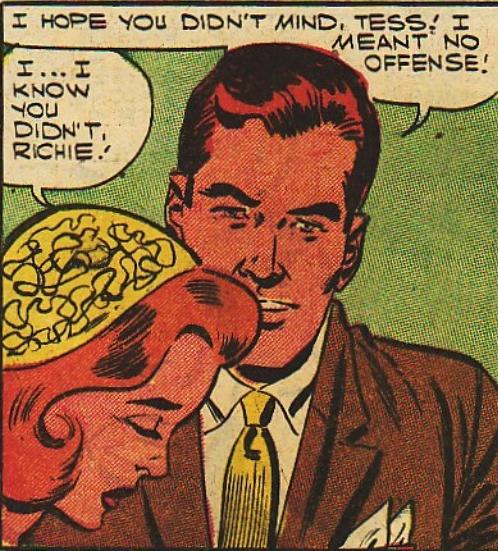
I'D HOPED HE WOULDN'T MAKE A PASS... I'D HAVE BEEN DISAPPOINTED. AT THE SAME TIME, I'D WANTED HIM TO KISS ME...



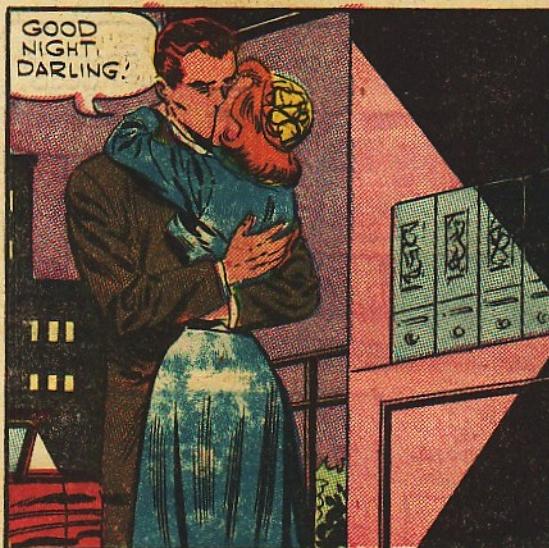
I MET RICHIE AT CHURCH THE NEXT SUNDAY. HE ASKED ME TO GO DRIVING AND I ACCEPTED...



# BRIDES IN LOVE



I WAS COMPLETELY HAPPY ON THE WAY HOME! I SAT CLOSE TO HIM AND LISTENED TO THE RADIO...



BUD TOOK ALL MY CASH AND FOUND MY BANK-BOOK. HE TOLD ME TO WITHDRAW ALL THE MONEY I HAD IN THE BANK. THEN HE LEFT! I KNEW I HAD TO DO IT...



# BRIDES IN LOVE

I HAD THE MONEY FOR BUD,  
TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS!  
HE WAS WAITING OUTSIDE A  
THEATER



HE SAID HE HAD BUSINESS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD... AND I BELIEVED HIM! I EVEN MADE A DATE WITH HIM FOR THAT NIGHT...



I STARTED FOR HOME! BUT WHEN I GOT THERE, RICHIE WAS WAITING! AND INSIDE, I SAW A LIGHT! BUD WAS THERE DESPITE MY PLEA...



# BRIDES IN LOVE

I WAS DESPERATE! I KNEW BUD PLATT HAD A GUN AND WAS WATCHING! HE WOULD SHOOT IF HE KNEW RICHIE WAS A DETECTIVE ...

GO AWAY! I NEVER WANT TO SEE YOU AGAIN!



HE LEFT, AND I WENT INSIDE. BUD WAS THERE...

HE LOOKED LIKE A COP! WAS HE? DID YOU TIP HIM?

I SHOULD HAVE -- BUT I DIDN'T NOW. GET OUT!



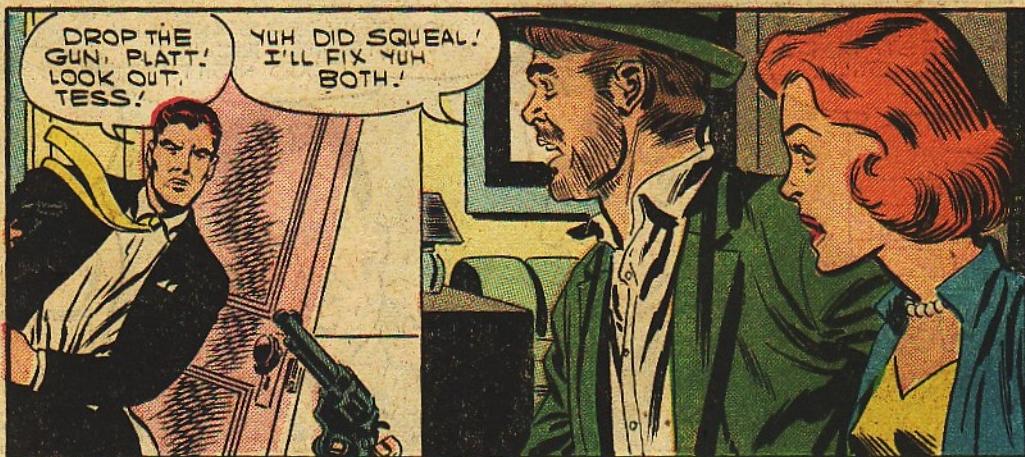
I WILL -- BUT WE'RE GOING TO YOUR OFFICE FIRST! YOU'VE GOT THE KEYS AND YOU KNOW THE SAFE COMBINATION! LET'S GO!



NEITHER OF US HEARD A THING UNTIL THE DOOR CRASHED OPEN! IT WAS RICHIE...

DROP THE GUN, PLATT! LOOK OUT, TESS!

YUH DID SQUEAL! I'LL FIX YUH BOTH!

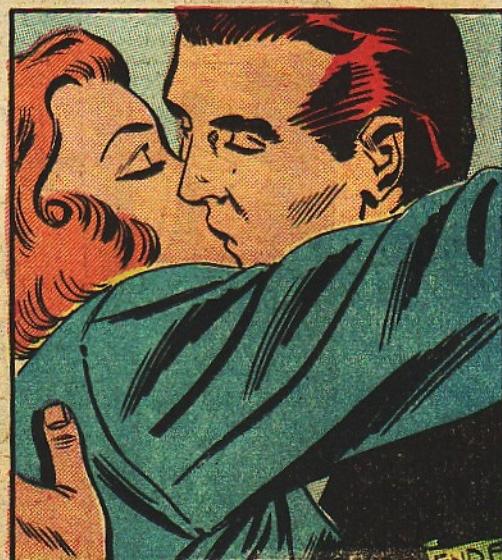


I WON'T LET YOU HURT HIM!

NICE GOIN', TESS!



BUD WAS LOCKED UP AND SENT AWAY! RICHIE TOLD ME HE HAD WATCHED ME BECAUSE HE'D LEARNED BUD HAD ESCAPED JAIL! AND IN THE PROCESS OF WATCHING, HE FELL IN LOVE, SO DID I...



END

BRIDES IN LOVE

# Afraid of Love

HANK WAS DOING THE RIGHT THING. THE MAN IN THAT FLAMING TRUCK NEEDED HELP -- BUT I DON'T WANT IT TO BE HANK, WHO ALWAYS TOOK THE CHANCES, RISK HIS LIFE! HOW COULD I LET MYSELF LOVE A MAN WHO WAS CONSTANTLY IN DANGER?



IN THE COMPANY OFFICE, HANK LOBEL WAS A HERO LONG BEFORE I MET HIM. THE OTHER GIRLS TOLD ME ABOUT HIM BEFORE HE ARRIVED...



THEN HE ARRIVED... AND I BECAME ANOTHER HANK LOBEL FAN...



# BRIDES IN LOVE

SMITTEN, DEAR? HE'S NOT BAD LOOKING AT ALL, IS HE?

HE'S NICE--NOT WHAT I EXPECTED AT ALL.



A LITTLE LATER, MR. MALLEN CALLED ME TO HIS OFFICE...

AROUND, HANK! TAKE HIM TO LUNCH TOO, NANCY--HE HASN'T HAD A GOOD MEAL SINCE HE WENT TO GUATAMALA.

I'LL BE GLAD TO, MR. MALLEN!



WE'D MADE SOME CHANGES SINCE HANK HAD BEEN AWAY... BUT HE DIDN'T SEEM INTERESTED IN ANYTHING BUT ME...

AND WE BOUGHT SIXTY MORE... HANK, YOU'RE NOT LOOKING,

I'VE SEEN TRACTORS BEFORE, NANCY. YOU'RE NEW TO ME THOUGH. LET'S GO HAVE LUNCH!



NO RESTAURANTS FOR US TODAY, NANCY! LET'S BUY SOME STUFF AND HAVE A PICNIC!

SOUNDS WONDERFUL, HANK! YOU DRIVE!



THE PICNIC LUNCH WAS WONDERFUL... AND AFTER WE ATE...

YOU'RE LUCKY TO HAVE SEEN SUCH BEAUTIFUL PLACES, HANK!

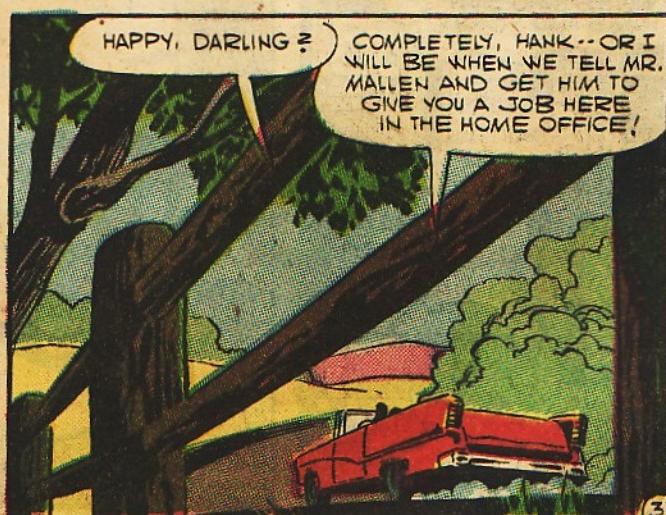
THE MOST BEAUTIFUL THING I'VE EVER SEEN, NANCY, IS...



...YOU!



# BRIDES IN LOVE



## BRIDES IN LOVE

THAT WOULD BE NICE, WOULDN'T IT?  
I WILL BE HOME FOR FOUR WEEKS,  
NANCY! THAT WILL BE LONG ENOUGH  
TO GET MARRIED!

YOU DON'T THINK  
I'D LET YOU GO ON  
BEING A HERO,  
DO YOU? YOU  
CAN FORGET THE  
DAISEDEVIL  
STUFF FROM  
NOW ON!

DAREDEVIL STUFF? YOU  
MEAN MY JOB?



YOU DON'T THINK I  
ENJOY RISKING MY  
LIFE, DO YOU? MAY-  
BE YOU'RE NOT  
AS GROWN-UP  
AS YOU LOOK!

MAYBE NOT--BUT I'M  
GROWN UP ENOUGH TO STAY  
AWAY FROM YOU.  
GOOD-BYE!



I DIDN'T GO BACK TO THE  
OFFICE... I COULDN'T! I  
DROVE HOME AND WENT  
STRAIGHT TO MY ROOM...

THAT'S NOT FOR ME, I TOLD  
MYSELF... BUT MY HEART  
MURMURED HANK'S NAME...

SOMEONE JUST DROVE UP!  
THAT VOICE DOWNSTAIRS...  
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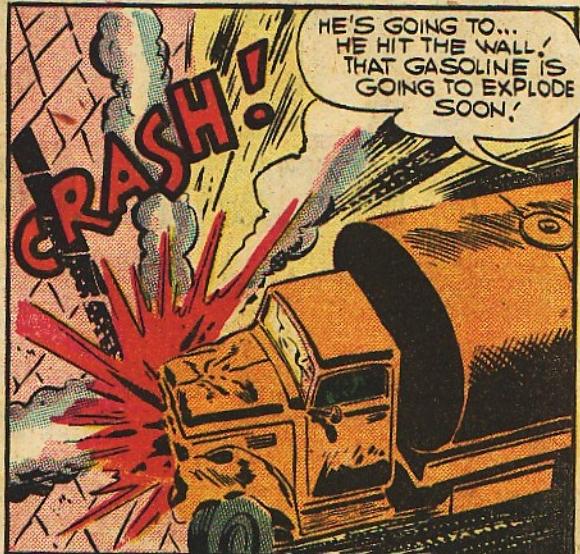
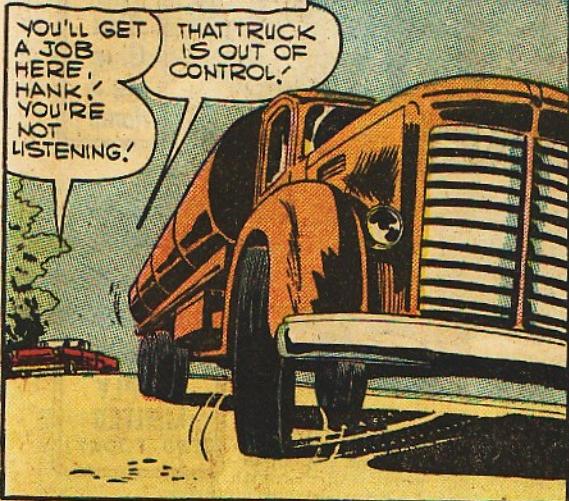
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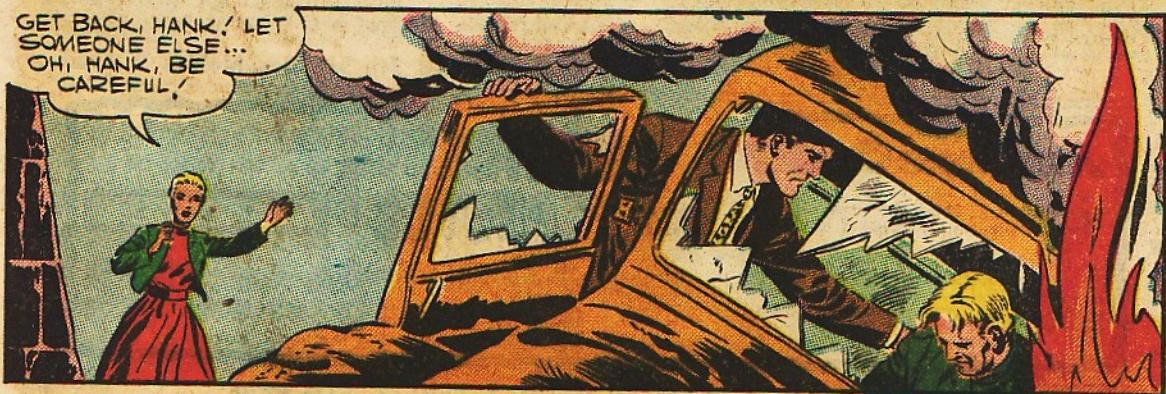


# BRIDES IN LOVE

HANK INSISTED ON GOING TO MR. MALLEN'S  
HOUSE IMMEDIATELY...



GET BACK, HANK! LET  
SOMEONE ELSE...  
OH, HANK, BE  
CAREFUL!



THAT GUY'S A  
REAL HERO!  
THAT GAS  
TANK'S GOING  
TO EXPLODE!

HE JUST  
DID WHAT  
HE HAD TO  
DO! NO  
ONE ELSE  
COULD  
DO IT!

AND THEN HE WAS SAFE IN  
MY ARMS AGAIN! NOTHING  
ELSE IN THE WORLD MATTERED...



I DON'T CARE WHERE YOU HAVE  
TO WORK, DARLING! I'LL GO  
WITH YOU IF I CAN -- OR STAY  
HOME AND WAIT! YOU DO  
YOUR JOB, DARLING --  
I'LL BE A GOOD WIFE!





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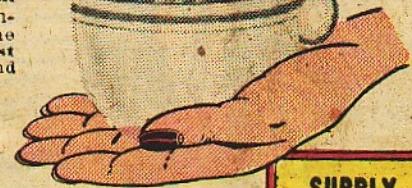
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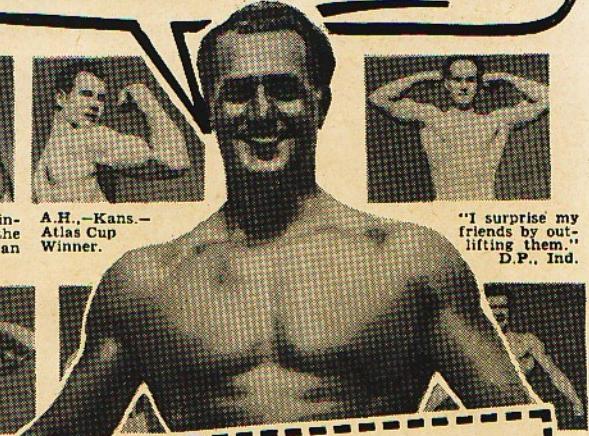
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